

CITY OF NEW ORLEANS

OFFICE OF HOMELAND SECURITY & EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

2016 INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

Agency Description: The New Orleans Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness (NOHSEP) is responsible for disaster planning, response and recovery for the City of New Orleans. In pursuit of increasing New Orleans' resilience and capacity to prevent, respond to, and recover from major emergencies, it coordinates the activities needed to protect the lives and property of its citizens from natural and man-made disasters through "all-hazards" planning. One of the office's main responsibilities is to advise the Mayor, City Council, and public safety agencies on emergency management activities and operations. NOHSEP also coordinates the state and federal agencies that respond to city-wide disasters and emergencies. This office makes all requests for federal disaster assistance and federal funding subsequent to disaster declarations.

Internship Description: NOHSEP invites undergraduate and graduate students with interests in homeland security, emergency preparedness and crisis management to apply for unpaid, semester-long or flexible internship positions. Interns will be initially assigned within the Planning & Preparedness Division and work on a project tailored to both their interests and strengths and agency needs. Examples of focus areas include public health disaster management, hazard vulnerability and risk assessment, crisis communications, community outreach and emergency logistics. Interns will also have the opportunity to interface with local, state, and federal partners in meetings and conferences. Additionally, interns will be exposed to the fundamentals of emergency management through training and participation in City Emergency Operations Center (CEOC) activations.

Application Process: Interested applicants should send a copy of their current resume or CV and a brief statement of professional and/or research goals to:

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